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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

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For

METHOD OF SIMULTANEOUSLY ENHANCING ANALGESIC

POTENCY AND ATTENUATING DEPENDENCE LIABILITY CAUSED BY MORPHINE AND OTHER BIMODALLY-ACTING

OPIOID AGONISTS

Art Unit

1614

Examiner

James H. Reamer

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 19, 2003 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued February 19, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action was due May 19, 2003. Applicants herewith petition for a three month extension of time in which to respond to the February 19, 2003 Office Action. The required fee for a three month extension of time is enclosed. With the three month extension of time, a response to the February 19, 2003 Office Action is due August 19,

2003. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

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